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(Via fax: 3 pages, followed by confirmation copy via courier)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Arlington, Virginia 22202

Dear Sirs,

In response to the Office Action dated May 4, 2004, please find the relevant paper in response to paper No. 20040501. Following the fax transmission, a hard copy via courier will also be forwarded to the Office.

Enclosed documents via courier will include:

Response to Restriction Requirement in (1) pages

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I believe that no fee is incurred. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees required in connection with the filing of this paper to account No. 50-2620 (Order No.: 10038-US-PA).

Thank you for your assistance in the subject matter. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

ASSISTANT COMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Arlington, VA 22202

Dear Sirs,

In response to the Office Action, mailed on May 4, 2004, Applicant would like to elect Group II, claims 8-14, drawn to a diffusion RTA process, classified in class 438, subclass 550. Please cancel Group I, claims 1-7, drawn to a control responsive RTA process, classified in class 438, subclass 10 without waiver, prejudice or disclaimer.

Thank you for your assistance in the subject matter. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

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